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2. NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE
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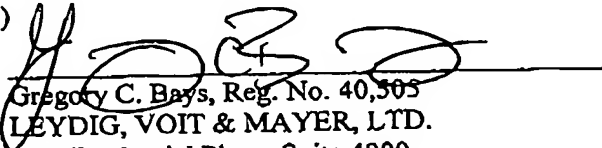
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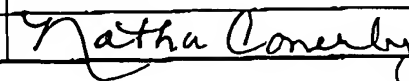
In response to the "Notification of Defective Response" mailed on April 20, 2006 (copy enclosed) and a conversation with Natha Conerly of our office on May 19, 2006, enclosed are copies of two different Form PCT/1B/306 - "Notification of the Recording of a Change." These documents indicate the addition of Rainer Kramer and Bodo Mickan as inventors on the underlying international application. It is believed that these documents address the issues raised in the Notification of Defective Response.

Please note the Attorney Docket No. for this application has been changed to 231944.

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- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/23/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/23/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/23/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/30/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 11/07/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 12/23/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/23/2004
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 12/30/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/23/2004
- Substitute Specification filed on 12/23/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 12/23/2004

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Applicant's response filed 12/30/2005 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 09/07/2005 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - INVENTORS RAINER KRAMER AND BODO MICKAN ARE SHOWN ON DECLARATION FORM BUT NOT SHOWN ON THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLICATION.

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Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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